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**TENNESSEE DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH**  
**Amended**

**MEMORANDUM**

**Date:** November 6, 2006  
**To:** Andrea Turner, Director of Communications and Media Relations  
**From:** Sandra Powell, Board Administrator

**Name of Board or Committee:** Tennessee Board of Medical Examiners

**Date of Meeting:** November 7 and 8, 2006

**Time:** 8:30 a.m., Central Standard Time

**Place:\*/** Health Related Boards  
227 French Landing, Suite 300  
Heritage Place Metrocenter  
Nashville, TN 37243

**\*/** For board business on November 7, 2006 and all other cases, please go to the 220 Athens Way, Suite 104, Plaza One Metrocenter location. The contested cases of Curtis Buchheit, M.D. (November 7-8) and Janice Katz, M.D. (November 8), please go to the 227 French Landing, Suite 300, Heritage Place Metrocenter location.

**Major Item(s) on Agenda:**

1. Approve minutes from:  
  
September 26 and 27, 2006 meeting  
October 6, 2006 meeting

2. **Conduct Licensure Interviews**

**A. Applicant Interviews**

Michael Claus Buchholz, MD  
Robert Alexander Burkich, MD  
Russell Arthur Ferstandig, MD  
Laverne Dennis Gugino, MD  
Michael D. Hofmann, MD

Warren Hardy Scott, MD

1. Ratification of 2005 Screening Panel Order

Donley D. Siddall, MD  
Ronnie Bernard, AT  
Cecil Dewayne Knight, AT  
Andrea Merriweather, MDX

**B. Reinstatement Interview**

**C. Renewal Interviews**

**D. Interview re: Seven Year Rule**

**E. Ratification of Denial of License re: Seven Year Rule**

**F. Ratification of Denial of Licensure**

John David Kuntz, MD  
Sarmed A. Abdullah, MD

**G. Declaratory Order**

3. **Conduct Disciplinary Business**

**A. Contested Case Hearings**

Curtis Buchheit, MD	Lewisburg, TN
Janice Katz, MD	Morristown, TN
John Hancock, MD	Mooresburg, TN
Larry Rawdon, MD	Hohenwald, TN
Pamela Ventra, MD	Chattanooga, TN
Richard Baker, MD	Kingsport, TN

**B. Agreed Orders**

Anne Weir, PA	Johnson City, TN
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**C. Consent Orders**

Robert B. Warr, MD	Texarkana, TX
Robert B. Parker, MD	Clarksville, TN

**D. Orders of Compliance**

Curtis Elam, MD	Knoxville, TN
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**E. Order Modification Request**

**F. Letters of Reprimand**

**G. Licensure Denial Appeal**

**H. Screening Panel Procedures**

4. Receive reports and/or requests from Board Administration
5. Receive reports and/or requests from the Division Office
6. Receive reports and/or requests from the Division of Investigations
7. Receive reports and/or requests from the Disciplinary Coordinator
8. Receive reports and/or requests from the Office of General Counsel
9. Receive reports and/or requests from the Bureau Office
10. Review/Ratification
  - A. New applicant files
  - B. Reinstated Licenses
  - C. Failed to Renew Licenses
  - D. Actions taken by Medical Board Consultant
  - E. Ratification of actions taken by the Committee on Clinical Perfusionists
  - F. Ratification of actions taken by the Acupuncture Committee
  - G. Ratification of a Physician Assistants Committee Order
    - (1) Ratify Agreed Order of Anne Weir, PA
11. Consider authorizing a rulemaking hearing regarding examination requirements for admission to international medical schools.
12. Appearance by Steve Ritchie, MD to give a presentation regarding overprescribing.
13. Appearance by Antione Agassi, Director and Chair of the State of Tennessee e-health Council regarding the Tennessee Health Care

Technology Readiness Assessment.

14. Discuss and consider endorsing the Patient Safety Policy.
15. Discussion by the Board of what information they want on the "Noteworthy" section of the Internet.
16. Adjourned.

Note: Any business not concluded on Tuesday, November 7, 2006 may be considered on Wednesday, November 8, 2006.

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